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TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to The "Telegraph.")

AMERICA'S WAR DECLARATION.

President Wilson's Outspoken Utterance.

London, April 3.

Reuter's correspondent at Washington says that President Wilson began his speech to Congress with a review of the development of German submarine warfare, and dwelt at length on the ruthlessness of recent measures, especially the sinking of Belgian relief ships, notwithstanding the fact that they were furnished with German safe conducts, with a reckless lack of compassion for the principles of international law. The German Government had thrown to the winds all scruples of humanity for understandings supposed to underlie its intercourse with the world. "The present warfare against commerce," said President Wilson, "is a warfare against mankind. The challenge is to all nations, and, in making a choice of action, our motive must not be revenge or a victorious assertion of physical might, but only a vindication of the right of human rights, of which we are only a single champion."

"Armed neutrality now appears impracticable, because German submarines are, in effect, outlaws, and are not comparable to privateers or corsairs. Therefore it is common prudence to endeavour to destroy them at sight before they have shown their intentions. Germany has intimidated, however, that armed guards on ships are subject to be treated as pirates. Armed neutrality, in the face of such pretensions, is worse than ineffectual. We are incapable of choosing the path of submission or of suffering the most sacred national rights to be ignored and violated. The wrongs against which we now array ourselves out to the very root of human life. In unhesitating obedience to what I deem my constitutional duty, I advise Congress to declare the recent course of the Imperial German Government to be in fact nothing less than war against the Government and people of the United States, and that it formally accepts the status of a belligerent thrust upon it and takes immediate steps, not only to put the country into a more thorough state of defence, but also to exert all its power and employ all its resources to bring Germany to terms and to end the war."

Supplementing the United States' intentions in regard to co-operation with the Allies, President Wilson said it would be necessary to organize and mobilize all its material resources to supply war materials to serve national needs in the most abundant and yet the most economical and most efficient way possible, as well as to supply immediate and full equipment for the Navy. He expressed the opinion that a new Army should be raised by Conscription, and also advocated the authorization of a subsequent additional increment of half a million men as necessary. He suggested proposed principles governing the raising of money, and said they should endeavour to keep the nations in the field supplied with materials.

After a scathing reference to selfish, autocratic power, and to America's desire to ensure the observance of the principles of peace and justice among a really free and self-governed people, President Wilson said: "We are not quarrelling with the German people but feel sympathy and friendship towards them. It was not on their impulse, or by their knowledge or approval, that the Government acted in entering the war. It was determined on like war of olden days, when rulers in no wise consulted peoples and waged war in the interests of dynasties or of little groups of ambitious men accustomed to use their fellow-men as pawns and tools."

President Wilson sarcastically said that self-governed nations did not fill neighboring States with spies, or launch intrigue to bring about a critical posture of affairs, which would give an opportunity to strike and to make conquest. Cunningly contrived plans of deception or oppression, carried from generation to generation, could only be worked out and kept from the light within the privacy of courts, or behind the carefully guarded confidence of a narrow, privileged class.

The President, in the course of a powerful argument for the support and recognition of democratic rights, glowingly referred to the Russian Revolution, and greeted the new regime as a fit partner for the League of Honour.

Proceeding, President Wilson said: "We have no selfish end to serve, and we do not desire territorial aggrandisement or indemnities, but we are making sacrifices freely, as champions of the rights of mankind, and shall be satisfied only when these are secured."

President Wilson postponed discussion of relations with Vienna, indicating that they were not at present intending to fight against Austria-Hungary. He said America did not possess enmity towards the German people, and was not seeking to injure or disadvantage them. But she was in armed opposition to an irresponsible Government, devoid of considerations for humanity's right, which was running amok. America would have opportunities to prove her friendship towards millions of German birth and sympathy living in America, and, added the President, "we shall be proud to prove this to all German-Americans if they stand with us." Disloyalty, however, would be firmly suppressed. Outbreaks might occur, but they would be local and would not be countenanced except by the lawless and malignant few.

The President concluded: "The necessity for thus addressing Congress is a distressing and oppressive duty. Maybe there is many a month of fiery trial and sacrifice ahead. It is a fearful thing to lead this great and peaceful people into the most terrible and disastrous of all wars. Civilization itself is seemingly in the balance. But right is more precious than peace. In fighting, we dedicate our lives and possessions with pride that we are privileged to spend blood and might for the principles that gave America birth, and for happiness and peace which she has treasured. God helping her, she can do no other."

An Overt Act.

London, April 3.

Reuter's correspondent at New York says that the United States' Consul at Brest has advised the owners that the steamer Astor, the first armed American vessel to sail to Europe, was sunk by a German submarine on April 2.

Reuter's correspondent at Havre says that a French patrol boat picked up a boat with nineteen of the crew of the Astor. Twenty-eight of the crew are missing. The sea is rough, and it is feared that it may be impossible to rescue the men.

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AMERICA'S WAR DECLARATION.

Co-operation With the Allies.

London, April 3.

The passage in President Wilson's speech regarding co-operation with the Allies was as follows: "This will involve the utmost practicable co-operation in council with the Governments warring against Germany, and, incident thereto, the extension to those countries of the most liberal financial credits, in order that our resources may, as far as possible, be added to theirs. This will involve the organization and mobilization of all the material resources of the country to supply war materials to serve the incidental needs of the nation in the most abundant, the most economical and the most efficient way possible. This will involve the immediate and full equipment of the Navy in all respects, particularly in supplying it with the best means of dealing with the enemy's submarines."

"This will involve an immediate addition to the armed forces of the United States of at least half a million men, who should be chosen on the principle of universal liability for service, and also the authorization of a subsequent additional increment of an equal force as soon as it is needed and can be trained. This will involve also the granting of adequate credits to the Government, which should be sustained, so far as it can equitably be sustained, by well-considered taxation. In order to avoid, so far as possible, hardships likely to arise from the vast loads in carrying out these measures, we should keep constantly in mind the wisdom of interfering as little as possible with the duty of supplying the nations already warring against Germany with the materials which they can obtain only from us or by our assistance. They are in the field, and we should help them in every way to be effective there."

Patriotic Scenes.

London, April 3.

Reuter's correspondent at Washington says that crowds outside the Capitol cheered frantically as President Wilson entered and left. During the address, members of Congress roared, in cheer after cheer, in an ecstasy of patriotism. They vociferously applauded the declaration that the United States would never submit to injustice, as also did they the advice that the United States should help the Allies financially and otherwise, as well as the declaration for an Army based on universal service. When the President asked Congress to declare a state of war, all present rose, yelling their approval.

At the conclusion of the address, all, and even a few supposed pacifists, rose, waving handkerchiefs and small flags, while the cheers were deafening.

Other Points From the Speech.

Later.

President Wilson, in his address to Congress, said: "The Russian people, in all their naive majesty, have now been added to the forces fighting for freedom, justice and peace."

"It has been proved in the Courts of Justice that intrigues, coming perilously near to disturbing peace and a dislocation of industries, have been carried out at the instigation, and with the support and personal direction of, German officials, proving that Germany purposed aggression at its convenience. The interception of the Note to the German Minister in Mexico was eloquent testimony to their evil designs."

"We are accepting this challenge, knowing that such a Government could never be a friend but a menace to the security of all democracies. We are accepting battle with this natural foe, and shall, if necessary, spend the whole force of the nation to nullify its pretensions."

The News in the Commons.

London, April 3.

In the House of Commons, Mr. Buxar Law stated that the British Ambassador to Washington had telegraphed that it was expected that Congress would give President Wilson authority to declare war.—(Cheers.)

War Declaration Approved.

London, April 3.

Reuter's correspondent at Washington says that the Foreign Relations Committee of the Senate has approved, with slight verbal amendments, the Administration resolution, mentioned in the earlier telegrams, declaring that a state of war exists with Germany.

Press Approval.

London, April 3.

According to Reuter's correspondent at New York, the newspapers in the United States, irrespective of political affiliations, endorse President Wilson's address as a complete expression of the nation's ideals.

The War Resolution.

London, April 3.

According to Reuter's correspondent at Washington, the Administration resolution, passed yesterday, has been introduced in both Houses, but consideration thereof is deferred till tomorrow. It is expected that it will pass both Houses overwhelmingly.

THE NEW RUSSIA.

A War Cabinet of Seven.

London, April 3.

The Times correspondent at the Russian Headquarters says it has been decided to form a War Cabinet of seven members, on the Anglo-French model, and sweepingly to reorganise the Army High Command. He shows that a strongly pronounced anti-German feeling is apparent in the Army, and refers reservedly to the actual state of efficiency of the Army at the moment.

It transpires that General Alexeeff is in great difficulty, at the time of the Revolution, in disbanding the Tsar from ordering the troops from the front with the object of re-establishing the late Government's authority.

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THE ENEMY AND PEACE.

Another Offer Expected.

London, April 3.

According to Reuter's correspondent at Amsterdam, the Lokale newspaper states that the Central Powers are going to make a new peace offer.

Pressure from Austria.

London, April 3.

The Lokale newspaper's announcement culminates a combination of circumstances:—Firstly, Count Czernin's statement, cabled on March 31; secondly, Forster's declaration that the Central Powers were working "for an honourable and satisfactory peace"; thirdly, the significant Imperial gathering at German Headquarters.

The most prevalent belief is that Austria is bringing pressure to bear on Germany to end the struggle which is threatening to ruin the respective countries and is endangering the dynasties.

NEWS FROM THE RUSSIAN FRONT.

London, April 3.

A Russian official wireless message says:—We threw back, at the point of the bayonet, enemy attacks which had penetrated our trenches in the regions south of Ilukst, and to the south-east of Vladimir Volynsk.

Our airplanes, raiding Durkes, was compelled to descend. Aviators with their machine guns fired on a Turkish schooner. The crew abandoned the schooner, which the aviators boarded, and sailed towards Russia. They encountered a heavy storm, but arrived at the Djuligatch peninsula, from whence they returned to Sevastopol by torpedo boat.

FISHING BARQUE SINKS SUBMARINE.

London, April 3.

According to Reuter's correspondent at Paris, a French fishing barque, armed with a small gun, sank a submarine after twenty minutes fighting.

LOYAL BASUTOS.

Qualm Expressions of Patriotism.

London, April 3.

Reuter's correspondent at Cape Town says that a special session of the Basutoland Council, convened in order to discuss the High Commissioner's appeal for native war labour overseas, has concluded most satisfactorily. The appeal embodied a scheme for the recruitment of native labour in Basutoland similar to the South African Union scheme, but to be controlled by the Basutoland Council.

The Basuto Chiefs and Councillors offered their services, and the paramount Chief ordered the other Chiefs to tour the country directing the natives to prepare for European service. The paramount Chief, in a speech to the Council, dwelt upon the Basutos' prosperity, and declared that "as King George's house was on fire it was the duty of all good freemen, including the Basuto, to quench the flames."

THE ADVANCE IN THE WEST.

Considerable Artillery Activity.

London, April 3.

A French communique says:—There has been intermittent artillery firing from the Somme to the Aisne, and patrol encounters north and south of the Ailette. We captured six machine-guns in the region of Vaux Aillon yesterday.

The artillery struggle continues fairly violently in the Batte de Menil and Maieons de Champagne region.

Our fire repulsed a German attempt on a trench in the sector of Soppoils le Haut, in Alsace.

British Progress Continues.

London, April 3.

Reuter's correspondent at Headquarters wires (April 3):—A blizzard has impeded operations, but the enemy has completely cleared out of Henin-sur-Cojeul, five miles south-east of Arras. The line is almost dead-straight for fourteen miles from Beaurains, south of Arras, to the great Amiens-Cambrai road near Beaumonts. It is reported that we have again progressed in our north-western advance towards St. Quentin.

More Lies.

London, April 3.

A wireless German official message claims that the enemy took over three hundred prisoners near Noreuil, but, coming under the English machine-gun fire, only sixty reached the lines.

Further British Captures.

London, April 3.

Field Marshal Sir Douglas Haig, in a communique, states:—In the course of yesterday's attack, south-east of Arras, we carried the village of Henin-sur-Cojeul. The artillery broke up a second counter-attack.

Further south, we captured Maisemey and occupied Roubaix wood.

Six enemy aeroplanes were brought down and two driven down damaged. Six of ours are missing.

AEROPLANE LOSSES.

The Figures for Last Month.

London, April 3.

The Times states that last month's aeroplane losses on the Western Front were:—British, 53; French (according to German reports), 71; and German, 125.

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EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

General Smuts' Speech.

London, March 2.

In continuing his speech at a luncheon in the House of Commons, the first part of which we published yesterday, General Smuts said that as regards South Africa there was internal convulsion there when the war started, but "we set our house in order and hurled the enemy across the equator (cheers). This was done by the population, a majority of whom fought against Great Britain fifteen years ago, therefore you see South Africa has done her share." (Loud cheers.)

After paying a tribute to the late Premier, Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, for the settlement after the Boer war, "one of the wisest settlements ever made," General Smuts proceeded: "After all the Empire is founded on principles of equality and freedom, unlike Germany who stands for 'Might is Right' and to-day the world is against Germany."

If the United States does not go to war against Germany now, she will have to do so later. If we continue to found the issue on our high principles Germany is already defeated morally and politically. The position is grave and there is hard work ahead. Germany cannot continue much longer. She will reach her maximum effort this summer. I am convinced that her submarine effort will not settle the war although it will inconvenience us. I believe this summer will see that menace fail and earlier than most people think we shall hear of peace again.

General Smuts concluded: "We are not actuated by mere vengeance or hatred and we must make a settlement on a wide basis in the interests of the Empire and Europe. The British Empire is larger and more diverse than anything hitherto. What we have been used to in the past will not apply in the future. We must not follow precedents but make them. After all we built ourselves on freedom and no one outside a lunatic asylum wants to use force with the nations of the Empire (Cheers)."

CONTRACTOR FINED.

A sequel to the case heard a few days ago in which two owners of certain premises were fined \$5 for having a stove put into a basement without the permission of the Building Authority, was forthcoming at the Police Court this morning, when the building contractor was summoned for putting it in.

Mr. J. H. Gardiner appeared to defend and said that he did not know whether the authorities wanted to proceed against every one they could—even the coolies who would light the fire later on—but they had already fined the owner. He pleaded guilty, and asked for a nominal fine to be imposed.

Mr. Edwards, of the P. W. D., said the authorities were put to a good deal of trouble by contractors not following approved plans, and it was decided to bring this case.

His Worship imposed a fine of \$5.

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GENERAL NEWS.

A Septuagenarian Cricketer.
Mr. Robert Palmer, who died
at Windsor recently, aged 84, was
for nearly half a century a car-
penter at Windsor Castle. He
was well known locally as a
cricketer, and played in club
matches until he was over 70
years of age. He was one of the
founders of the Windsor and
District Liberal Club.

"Bottomless Pit of Hatred."

In a protest which the Con-
federation of Belgian Trade
Unions has sent to General von
Bissing, it is declared that "the
persecution of the working classes
and the misfortune of Belgium
will cause between Belgium and
Germany a bottomless pit of
hatred which nothing will be able
to bridge for generations to
come."

To Defend the Panama Canal.

Washington, March 25.—The
new Colombian treaty, recently
concluded by the United States,
gives to the latter the two small
islands of St. Andrews and New
Providence, off the east coast of
Panama. The islands are so small
as to be of no economic value, but
are highly regarded for their
strategical importance in the
defence of the Panama Canal.

Financial Aid for Yunnan.

In compliance with the urgent
request of the Governor of
Yunnan, the Government has
granted permission authorizing
the Governor of Yunnan to retain
the salt revenues for the use of the
province. The salt revenue
amounts approximately to \$800,
000 a month. But this permis-
sion will be withdrawn in Septem-
ber next, when the authorities of
Yunnan will again be required to
send the salt revenue of the pro-
vince to the Central Government.

The Moros Giving Trouble Again.

Jolo, March 25.—Lieutenant
George H. Ward of the Third
Sulu Company, Philippine Con-
stabulary, and five members of
his command were killed yester-
day by hostile Moros near Parang.
Four other members of the
constabulary detachment were
wounded, and only two escaped
unharmed. According to the
reports brought back to Parang
by the survivors, the detachment
was ambushed on the trail, and,
although greatly outnumbered
put up a strong fight before being
overwhelmed by the superior
numbers of their Moro assailants.
It is said that the attacking party
numbered some 50 Moros, and 15
of the band were killed by the
constabulary.—*Manila Bulletin.*

China-Japanese Railway Conference.

The Tokyo Railway Conference
is to be opened this month. The
Railway Bureau of Japan, hear-
ing of the coming visit of the
Chinese delegates, held a meeting
on the 22nd ult. to discuss the
manner of welcoming the de-
legates. It was decided that at
noon on April 7 the Railway
Bureau will give a reception to the
Chinese delegates in a Hotel at
the railway station of Tokyo.
The Director of the Railway
Bureau will give another recep-
tion in the evening of the same day.
The Japanese delegates to the
Conference will take the visitors
to see Nikko and other famous
places. The Chinese delegates
will leave Tokyo for Peking on
April 14.

Situation in Shantung.

Since the disbandment and
reorganization of the so-called
"People's Army," General Chang
Hui-chih, Tachuan of Shantung,
has done his utmost to suppress
local "taif" who committed all
kinds of crimes under the name
of revolutionists, says the *Peking*
Daily News. Many former leaders
of the revolutionists have been
brought to justice as a result of
the charges preferred against them
by the natives of the province.
Recently the Tachuan came to the
Capital to consult the Central
Government on various important
questions of the province; but
the "taif" and bad characters
have availed themselves of the
absence of the Tachuan to raise
disturbances in various places.
They have started an agitation
among the troops of a certain
regiment to mutiny and to loot.
On receipt of the above report
from General Chang Hui-chih,
the Tachuan has hastened back to
suppress these "taif" and dis-
banding them.

GENERAL NEWS.

Chinese Military Affairs Commission.
The Chinese Prime Minister has organized a Military Affairs Commission to discuss questions of military affairs arising out of the diplomatic rupture with Germany. A number of prominent officers have been appointed as members of the Commission. The Commission is to hold meetings every afternoon, says the Peking Daily News, and the Prime Minister will preside over the meetings.

Accident to Fung Kuo-cheung.
We regret to hear, says the N. C. Daily News of March 24, that Vice-President Fung Kuo-cheung met with a nasty accident yesterday in Nanking when driving. The horses took fright at something and overturned the carriage, and the Vice-President injured his arm against a piece of wood. In response to a telegram, Dr. N. H. Bolton left for Nanking by the mid-day express to attend to General Fung, to whom we extend our sincere sympathies.

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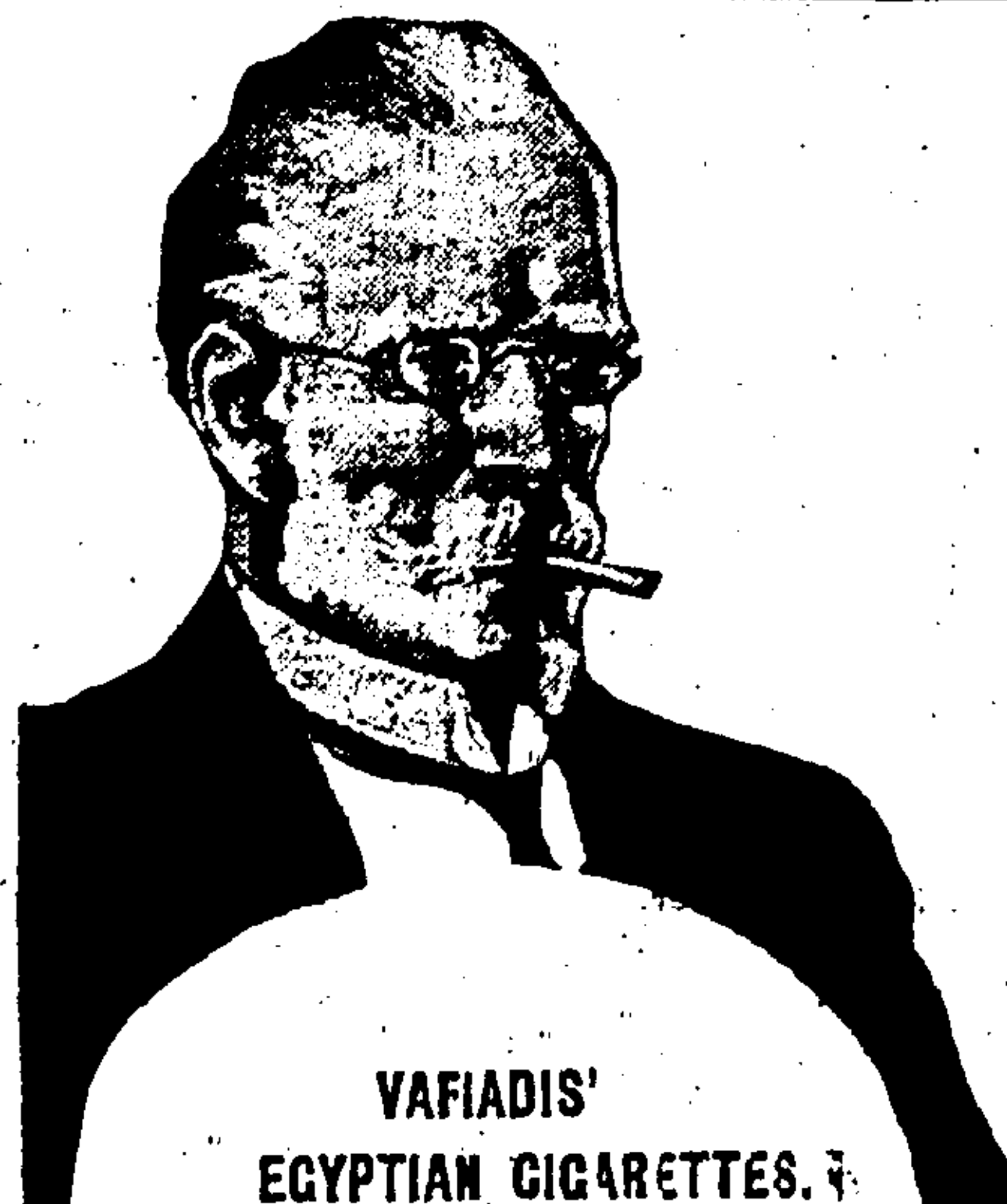
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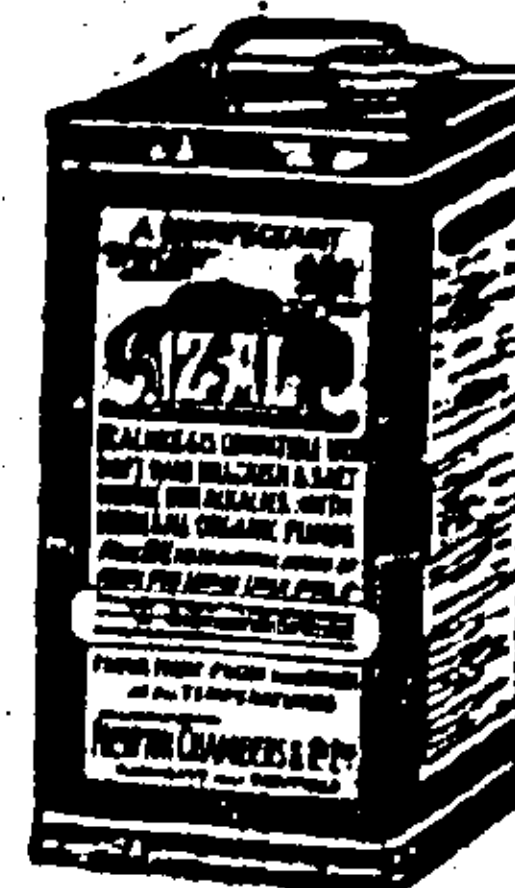
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The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, APRIL 4, 1917.

A CASE FOR CO-OPERATION.

There is one feature in the report of the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce for the past year which we are especially glad to note, and that is the growing tendency which it reveals towards a larger measure of co-operation between British Chambers throughout the Far East. During the year, the newly-formed British Chamber of Commerce at Tientsin approached the Hongkong body with a request for mutual co-operation in matters of common interest, and the local Chamber most heartily reciprocated, adding that it was prepared to work hand-in-hand with all similar bodies having for their object the furtherance of British trade in the Orient. Thus, to a request made by the Shanghai Chamber, Hongkong replied that it strongly favoured the free exchange of views on particular matters in which joint action would be valuable. But the matter did not end in mere assurances, for during the year the Hongkong and the Shanghai Chambers were able to identify themselves one with the other on quite a number of important issues. The homeward freight rate question, the matter of better transshipment at Hongkong, and the "ton-for-ton" policy in regard to German submarine may be cited as cases in point, and it may be added that the Boards have at present under consideration the advisability of establishing a joint Chamber of Commerce Journal.

This is all as it should be, but the question presents itself whether the measure of inter-relation between British Chambers in the Far East cannot be yet further expanded. We are always being told that we must prepare ourselves for the great commercial battle which is to follow the war, and it is generally agreed that that battle will nowhere be more bitterly waged than in the Orient. Whether that forecast is justified by future happenings or not, to one will deny that the world is likely to turn its attention to China's vast possibilities to an increasingly greater extent in the future than it has in the past. Business men the globe over are beginning to perceive the immense value of the Chinese market. What will Britain's share in that market be in the days to come? British enterprise will have the answering of that query largely in its own hands. But this much is certain: that the larger the measure of co-operation between representative British trading organizations, the greater will be the progress we shall make. This is the time for the closing up of ranks, and for the presenting of a united front to our competitors in the field of commerce.

While we can welcome the limited measure of co-operation which is revealed in the Hongkong Chamber's report, we should like to see it develop eventually into the establishment of an Association of British Chambers, formed of the various bodies inclusive and east of, say, Singapore. So far, the Hongkong and Shanghai Chambers have been content to work together by means of mail and telegraphic correspondence, and, while it is realized that this will always be necessary upon points of urgency, it is surely not too much to hope that the day will come when there will be periodical gatherings of representatives from the various Far Eastern Chambers for the serious discussion of large general issues in which all have an interest. It would have been a fine thing had such a gathering been convened on war questions and its views placed before the Home Government in time for the sittings of the Imperial Conference. But that opportunity has gone now. We can, however, profit by the lessons of the past. We put it forward, therefore, as a matter of practical politics that some move be taken to bring about the linking-up of all the British Chambers in the East, and that yearly or half-yearly conferences be held at various places. There are innumerable commercial questions which call for joint consideration and action. The influence of an Association such as we have suggested would be tremendous, and its success of time its success would carry great weight with the authorities in dealing with overseas trade problems. Cannot some

Oriental Athletics.

To all interested in athletics, the tremendous strides that have been made in Western sports by the Oriental races have become increasingly manifest of late, and this week, in the realm of tennis, the Colony has been given a demonstration which should bring the truth to the notice of all. It is only within very recent years that the Chinese have taken to lawn tennis, and, so far as Hongkong is concerned, until about two or three seasons ago the Championships were confined exclusively to Europeans. But since then the Chinese have proved that they too can play the game, the very fine display given last year in the tournament by one or two of their best local players opening the eyes of very many Europeans. On Monday evening, two Chinese players accounted for two of the Colony's best exponents of the game, and the general excellence of their displays should entitle them to go far in the premier tournament. But if the Chinese have made progress, they have been led by the Japanese, players from the land of the Rising Sun having surprised practically the whole world—especially America. Hongkong has not had very much experience of the better class of Japanese players, but the local Champion has been twice defeated by visiting exponents. All those who witnessed these matches can bear testimony to the remarkable degree of perfection attained by the winners.

Further Evidence.

On this matter of Oriental races having come to the fore in European sport, it is only necessary to point, in addition to tennis, to football and cricket to show how thoroughly they have taken up the three most popular games. The Chinese teams playing in the local football leagues are no mean opponents. It is, indeed, a remarkable fact that, for cleverness and dexterity of footwork, they excel those by whom the game was introduced here. On the cricket field they are equally at home, and the Hongkong Cricket Club has had some exceptionally fine games given it by the University team, which is composed, for a great part, of Chinese. A pleasing feature of the general question is that the Chinese have proved themselves to be thoroughly good sportsmen. Doubtless when the war is over there will be a revival of those Interport ties which were so popular before the European upheaval, and in this connection it seems probable that when the time comes for these to be resumed, their revival will witness the first appearance of Oriental competitors. If excellence of play is the test for inclusion they cannot very well be left out.

A Little Postal Matter.

We are returning a copy of the *Toronto Daily Mail* and *Empire*, one of the "Magazine Section" of the *San Francisco Chronicle* and two Chinese papers to the Post Office, as they do not belong to us. This morning these, together with a single copy of the *New York Evening Post* (which does belong to us) put in an appearance, all roughly tied together in an *Evening Post* wrapper bearing our address. Is this unsatisfactory condition of affairs (it is not the first time that such a thing has happened) attributable to the sorters or to the censors? We do not wish to see blame laid on the innocent, but the fault certainly rests with one of the two classes mentioned. We suggest the censors merely because many of our American, Chinese and Manila papers come to us in a condition that hints at their having been examined by the authorities. They are at liberty to do all the examining that may seem good to them, for aught we care, but we would ask them to take the precaution to see that, after their perusing is done, the right paper goes to the right address. In the meantime, any reader who may happen to have a few odd *New York Evening Post* and *Philadelphia Public Ledger* lying about, might kindly send them along, as we are short of a few.

DAY BY DAY.

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Free to Service Men.
The management of the Clark's Circus has arranged that men of the King's Shropshire Light Infantry, and of the Middlesex Battalion shall be admitted free of charge to-morrow night. Their generosity is greatly appreciated.

Returned Too Soon.
A Chinese who had been banished quite recently was found in a cook-house at Shaikwan, and was promptly arrested. When charged before Mr. J.R. Wood, at the Police Court this morning, he was sentenced to twelve months' hard labour and four hours' stocks.

Alice Memorial Hospital.
The Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Memorial and Affiliated Hospitals begs to acknowledge with thanks the following donations to the funds of the Hospitals:—Hongkong Electric Co., \$250; Butterfield & Swire, \$100; J. D. Hutchison & Co., \$100; J. D. Hutchison & Co., \$100; Mr. N. J. Stubb, \$25.

Bribery Charge Withdrawn.
Before Mr. J. B. Wood, at the Police Court this morning, a Chinese was charged with possessing 110 taels of opium, and also with offering a bribe of \$100 to an Indian constable, who arrested him. On the application of Inspector Brail, the charge of bribery was withdrawn. For the possession, defendant was sent to prison for nine months.

St. George's Day Celebration.
Lady May wishes to thank all those ladies who have kindly sent in their names as willing to sell flags on St. George's Day, April 23. A post-card with all details will be sent to each one when arrangements are completed. A consignment of sweets has been received from Mr. Sullivan, Shanghai, who has generously sent them to be sold for the benefit of war charities on St. George's Day.

Raffle Result.
"Our Little Bit" Society, Kowloon, wishes to announce the result of the raffle in connection with raising funds for the benefit of the blind soldiers and sailors at St. Dunstan's Home, which is as follows:—Ticket No. 200, first prize; No. 338, second prize; No. 261, third prize. A sum of \$600 has been collected, and will be sent to the Hon. Treasurer, War Charities, Hongkong, earmarked for the above.

Wanted a Doctor.
The Chinese who is charged with obtaining money by false pretences from the Canton Bank was brought before Mr. J. B. Wood, at the Magistrate's Court this morning, and, on the application of Mr. A. M. Preston, who is prosecuting, the case was again remanded, as further arrests are expected to be made. Defendant asked for bail, as he wished to see a doctor but his Worship pointed out that there was a doctor in goal. Defendant pointed out that he was getting old and had formed certain habits. Bail was fixed at \$10,000.

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Orders issued to-day by Mr. F. C. Jenkins, D.S.P. (Reserve), state:—

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CORRESPONDENCE.

[The opinions expressed by correspondents are not necessarily those of the "Hongkong Telegraph."]

HIGHER EDUCATION FOR CHINESE WOMEN.

[To the Editor of the "Hongkong Telegraph."]

Sir,—I have read, with benefit, the report of the University lecture on "What is an ideal woman?" so ably delivered by Miss Pitts, and contributed by Victor Hui Tshy, on the 28th ultimo, to your valuable paper.

In your yesterday's issue "Cantonese" stated that he was glad to have read Miss Pitts' remarks, and added "though I might not see their applicability to the Chinese ladies of this generation." I wish to express my surprise at the apparent hesitation of "Cantonese" in giving his reasons for adopting that attitude. What does he mean by "present generation"? Why has this present generation dropped asters? Or would the question be applicable to the ladies of the past? Miss Pitts is to be heartily congratulated for having introduced one of the most needful subjects: "What is an ideal woman?" to the University. There may be many others who can claim to have thought, perhaps, better than she has on the subject, but none as yet has admitted that which she introduces when she asks "Is not the education of the future mothers of nations an essential question? None can seek to cover with excuses that which appears in proper nakedness."

With regard to the views of "Cantonese" on the question: "Should Chinese ladies be admitted to the Hongkong University?" which Miss Woo would have worthily treated had she not been prevented by indisposition, I wish to direct his attention to the facts of his assumptions that:—

1. "There is not a Chinese lady here qualified in Chinese education who is ready to sit for the Hongkong Matriculation Examination." This is entirely fallacious.

2. "Chinese ladies are not yet ready to be admitted to the Hongkong University." That is but an admission of his want of knowledge of Chinese educated ladies in Hongkong. May I ask if "Cantonese" is aware that Chinese in the Matriculation is not a separate compulsory subject? Candidates may choose as they will—either French, Chinese, Latin or any classical Oriental language.

I know over forty Chinese girls' schools in this Colony; and there are at least eight of the teachers from these schools, who are well qualified in Chinese, and who, if coached properly, will not only be ready to sit for the Matriculation but will proceed further in their parents' astonishment. "Cantonese"—let alone other members of the fair sex who, if it be the vague for women here to pursue higher studies, will be quite willing and ready to join the University. I challenge "Cantonese" to prove if there be forty per cent. of the undergraduates of the University now that are fully educated in their own language.

"Cantonese" says he cannot see that any advantage would accrue to the Chinese ladies or to their homes by their obtaining higher studies etc. in the University. It may be expedient to quote an official Chinese report for 1916 giving the correct numbers of Chinese Government students sent abroad, not three per cent of whom were women:—200 in Europe, 250 in England, 1,200 in America, 3,000 in Japan; and China claims at present a million and a half Government home students. I ask:—Will any properly educated Chinese student be satisfied with the dearth of educated members of the opposite sex and seek a plethora of so-called school-girls? If "Cantonese" confines his remarks only to Hongkong girls, he will discover to his consternation that a much-travelled man, or any Chinese official abroad, will tell him that invariably the Hongkong boys in England and America are the only ones who are not

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ves decidedly handicapped because their future partners in life are women whose upbringing has not been anywhere near their own standards. Can anything be more disastrous than to let slide such an important question concerning the Chinese ladies' higher education at this juncture? Of all the respects in which China is backward, there is nothing in which she is more so save in this question of sending women students abroad for higher studies.

In a Colony such as Hongkong, under the British flag, where the University will probably turn out many champions of the freedom of speech, is it not most opportune for this one seat of learning to be made to become the "mother endearment" to emancipate our women folk from being slaves to useless customs, outgrown mental habits, outgrown religion, outgrown superstitions etc? Herein lies the advantage that our ladies would receive by being encouraged to be real help-mates to the men of China who will yet have to take office in difficult times—perhaps at such stormy times that history will have to record the happenings in letters of blood.

"Cantonese" expresses views on this question which are of an age from which we have emerged. We live to-day in great times, whereas only a few years ago it would have seemed presumptuous, if not irrelevant, to trifle with "Cantonese" opinions. Modern signs of evolution make the idea somewhat repugnant that there should be any attachment to old and antiquated views.

"Cantonese" states that it seems to him to be a waste of time to discuss the subject seriously, but surely it may be asserted that there is no other theme to which the Hongkong educationalists should pay more heed. A moment's reflection convinces us that in order that China may have her rightful place in the comity of nations her daughters should be furnished with requisites of learning commensurate with the demands of the future.

I deny the assertion that "Cantonese" represents the opinions of the majority of men and women who support his view. He will not be the last, I hope, to welcome the truth that men are never so likely to settle a question rightly as when they discuss it freely. I enclose my card and sign myself,

Hongkong, April 2, 1917.

TO-DAY'S MISCELLANY.

Papers authorizing the changing of a vessel's name followed the ship for two years without reaching her, says an exchange. She was the Norwegian steamship Alden, and was to be rechristened the Osterdal. She had sailed for Vladivostok when the papers were issued; they followed her by another vessel. Before they reached Vladivostok the Alden had cleared for Hongkong. The documents were sent there, but again arrived too late. This went on for more than two years, and the Alden bade fair to outstrip her pursuers forever and retain her original name. At last the cable was brought into use and the change of name effected.

France, with her traditional habit of saving the small things, is making the most of the wreckage of war, according to a correspondent of the New York Sun. Heaps of bicycles partly destroyed at the front are sorted out, the odd wheels and parts of tires being saved and used in making new bicycles. In one place a small mountain of army shoes, of all sorts and conditions, was being assorted, the workers finding some parts in every shoe worth saving. From a mass of damaged binoculars the lenses were extracted and sent to a factory to be used in making new field-glasses.

The Malay was ever more fond of piece work than of monthly wages, as, having earned enough to keep him for a few days, he could afford in his opinion to lie off until it was necessary to work again, says the *Sarawak Gazette*. The Resident of Sarawak reports that in former times trouble used to be experienced in obtaining sufficient casual labour to coal ships at the wharf, which necessitated keeping a large gang of coolies always stationed there. Of late years, however, this has completely changed and the Malays now are only too keen on loading, as they have found out that a few hours really hard work at this will enable them to make as much money as a whole day's work at anything else. There is consequently now never any trouble in getting quick despatch of any ship going to Sidong to load coal, however large she may be.

Some golf-players "use language" when they make a "dub shot." They are celebrated in the *Golfers Magazine* in this wise:—

"The fool Says Lucifer is not Not Satan? on the links? when Look is cool? Mayhap—but all the same I heard the golfer speak his name."

On another page of the same magazine Francis Outset administrators this rebuke to these foolish ones: "When 'Jerry' Travers, Hilton, Vardon, in fact all the great golf-players, make mistakes, you don't see them breaking a sweat or emitting violent language. Instead of frowning or hiding one's self for getting 'in bad,' learn to say with a smile on your face, 'It serves me right.' I have learned to accept poor shots with the best grace, and it helps me greatly."

The psychology of price fixing by the Governments at War is daily becoming clearer, says the *New York Evening Post*. Maximum prices help to distribute the existing stock to consumers, but fail to provide for renewals. Complaints of shortages are now beginning to come from England. But the reason is simple. If potatoes and milk and grain must be sold at a low, farmers will turn their attention to raising products whose prices are not restricted. The London *Nation* reports that the prices fixed, potatoes, for example, be grown upon very few fields, and that the price of the rest will be so low that the deficit will be enormous. From France we report that the same shortage is the result of the Government's policy.

M. PAUL DUFAULT.

Last Night's Concert.

One was sorry not to see the Theatre Royal better filled last night for M. Dufault's first appearance in Hongkong. There was not, it is true, a large number of empty seats in the circle, but the lower part of the house was disappointingly bare. This, however, is a fault that will be remedied at the two concerts yet to come, for those who were present at last night's performance may be relied upon to carry to their acquaintances the news that M. Dufault and his companions have something quite unusual to offer to Hongkong.

The programme opened with a Solo (Chopin's "Polonaise" in A Major) by Mr. Ernest Empson. Whether as soloist or accompanist, Mr. Empson at once proclaimed himself to be an artist of no mean order. His playing is always delicate and suggestive, and entirely free from any of the mannerisms that so often mar the work of the professional pianist as well as the enjoyment of those who listen to him. The extreme daintiness of his touch was particularly noticeable in his accompanying of Miss Bindley and M. Dufault in, respectively, "Down In The Forest" and "Le Sais-Tu?" while in Grieg's "To The Spring" and Schubert's and Liszt's "Hark, Hark the Lark," he gave us not only daintiness but very distinct strength as well. To our way of thinking Mr. Empson is himself quite able to hold the attention of a critical audience throughout an entire programme.

In Miss Pauline Bindley, Hongkong found a surprise awaiting it. Little had been said about her in the advertisements, and probably most of those present last night were prepared for the mediocre. Such people were, however, undeceived before the young artist had uttered more than the first two or three bars of "Caro Nome," from "Rigoletto," for anything like the lightness and grace of her performance has rarely been experienced in this part of the world. Miss Bindley comes from Australia—the land of expressive voices and of keen artistic feeling, and no one who heard her last night could fail to think that she has a very great future before her, not merely as a concert vocalist but in grand opera. There was no mistaking the sincerity of the her hearers' anxiety for her re-appearance; she was simply forced to respond to the encore. The same amount of enthusiastic applause greeted her subsequent rendering of "Down in the Forest" and "The Fairy Piper." In the former, her pianissimo was just marvelous, and the latter gave good opportunity for displaying the extraordinary flexibility of her voice. Later, in the quaint old "The Lass With The Delicate Air," she more than ever captivated the audience, not only by her singing but by her charm of manner. This was succeeded by two beautifully-written little pieces—Leon's "The Birth of Morn" and Sanderson's "Spring's Awakening," to both of which the singer showed herself able to do full justice.

In the duet "I Pardon Thee" from "Romeo and Juliet," one got the absolutely perfect blending of soprano and tenor; and the effect, whether from a purely musical point of view or as a piece of fine dramatic work, certainly left nothing to be desired. M. Dufault has been very extensively praised by the American, Canadian and Australian press—and he has the good things that he has said about him. The "Le Sais-Tu?" has gradually come to be such a local favorite that in every-day life, all of its meaning and its higher sense is apparent in Dufault's singing. Yesterday, he suggested that the concert hall, which is exempt from the usual rules of the theatre, should be his master, whether he sang in English, or in French, or in the most droll manner of the late

BOMBS AND EXPLOSIVES.

A Woman Charged.

Before Mr. J. B. Wood, at the Police Court this morning, three Chinese, one man and two women, were charged with being found in possession, at 4, Macgregor Street, Wanchai, of 14 ounces of potassium chlorate, two bomb shells, a quantity of fuse and one lead bullet, under circumstances giving rise to the suspicion that they did not possess them for a lawful object.

On the application of Inspector Sim, the charge against the man and one of the women was withdrawn.

Mr. E. B. Dyer, Government Analyst, spoke to examining the articles found. The chlorate of potassium was very commonly used by Chinese for explosive purposes. The two bomb cases were very characteristic Chinese bombs. The bullet—a very large one—was suitable for use in a bomb. The chlorate would be mixed with sugar to make it explosive, and there was enough for four or five bombs.

Inspector Sim said that on March 30, he searched the defendant's house, by virtue of a search warrant. He found the two people just discharged, and, after some conversation, the packet of chlorate was produced from a basket, as well as the fuse and also one of the bomb cases. The other bomb case was produced from a small cupboard near the head of a bed. Witness searched further and found the bullet. The defendant was found in another part of the premises, and she said that she had obtained the things from a cook of the S. Ecuador, who had brought them to the house.

Further evidence was given by constables and detectives who assisted in the search.

Defendant said she did not know who had put the things there.

His Worship remanded the woman.

H. K. P. R.

The Governor's Cup Shoot.

The following launch service has been arranged in connection with the Championship Shoot at Scone on Saturday next, April 7:—

Leave Blakes Pier.—8.30, Police Launch; 9, "Victoria"; 9.30, Police Launch; 12, "Victoria." Leave Scone.—3 p.m., "Victoria"; about 5 p.m., Victoria and Police Launch.

Competitors and range officials are requested to leave Blakes Pier by the Victoria at 9 a.m. Firing will commence at 10 a.m. Squadding tickets are being issued.

The members of No. 1 Squad are—Lt. Naik Karam Dad, 74th Punjab; Petty Officer Loach, R.N.; Sergeant Watling, R.M.L.I.; Sergeant Woolley, H.K.V.R.; Leading Signaller Botley, R.N.; C.O.M.S. Brornton, R.G.A.; Sergeant Pitt, H.K.P.; Corp. Rumskill, R.E.; Mr. Elson, H.M. Dockyard; Sergeant R. Marks, H.K.P.; Naik Faujdar, 18th Infantry; Spoy Parsotam, 74th Punjab; Pte. Goodman, H.K.V.R.; Mr. F.W. Wright, H.M. Dockyard.

Sims Reeves' favorites, by the way—was, like the "Romeo and Juliet" duet, one of the best things that Hongkong has heard; and into "An Pays" he knew how to import the exact thrill, and the exact note of cynicism, suggested by the poem, thus making it a triumph of stagecraft. His "Le Sais-Tu?" also was most sympathetically done, and he was equally successful with his English songs, especially in the case of one of the encores: "Audacity"—a coquettish little piece of work—and of "How's My Boy?" He rounded off the programme with three verses of "La Marseillaise," which he gave in an intensely dignified and affecting manner. The other two Dufault concerts are on Thursday and Saturday, and we feel sure that these will receive the fullest possible patronage.

FURNITURE DEALERS AT LAW.

Alleged Interference with "Quiet Enjoyment."

At the Summary Court this morning, a case was heard, before the Chief Justice, in which Lin Kwai, trading as Lee King-hong, claimed from Lam Lap-pong, 113, Wing Lok Street, \$1,000.

Mr. C. B. Johnson appeared for the plaintiff and defendant was represented by Mr. E. J. Grist.

Plaintiff claims the sum of \$1,000 as damages for trespass by the defendant upon the premises at No. 151, Hollywood Road, while in the occupation of the plaintiff, or, in the alternative, for nuisance caused by defendant during the said tenancy, or for breach of an implied promise for quiet enjoyment during the tenancy, or for derogation by the defendant, as landlord, from his grant of a tenancy of the said premises to the plaintiff.

Mr. Johnson said both firms were furniture dealers in Hollywood Road, his client having carried on business there for some considerable number of years. The landlord suddenly took possession, and plaintiff had hurriedly to get out and sell his furniture at a considerable loss. The landlord had no right to enter the premises or to carry out repairs, or to do anything else while the tenant was in possession. Later a scaffolding was put up, and then a boarding which completely hid the premises for the time it was up. The whole of the furniture was spoilt by workmen, who could not avoid throwing mortar on the furniture. All this was before plaintiff's tenancy expired.

Mr. Grist denied that his client had commenced work before the expiration of defendant's tenancy. It was true that a scaffolding was erected outside the premises a few days before the tenancy expired.

Case proceeding.

DAIRYMAN FINED.

Milk Not Up to Standard.

Mr. Leo D'Almada appeared to defend a dairyman, named Wing Tseing Po, of 100, Wellington Street, who was summoned before Mr. C. L. Melbourne, at the Police Court this morning, with selling milk alleged to be lacking in the required substances. A plea of not guilty was entered. Mr. D'Almada stated that the analyst's report showed only a small percentage of fat below that which was required.

Sanitary Inspector Hill gave evidence of having taken the sample.

Replying to Mr. D'Almada, Inspector Hill said that the defendant's business was properly conducted. The milk was not dangerous, and he would drink it himself.

For the defence, Mr. D'Almada contended that milk drawn from the cows in the morning was always more deficient in quality than that drawn in the evening. The sample was only 10 per cent. below the standard. It had not been tampered with in any way, and it was sold just as it was drawn from the cow.

Defendant went into the box and deposed that nothing had been abstracted.

After hearing further evidence, his Worship imposed a fine of \$10.

CHINESE LABOUR FOR EUROPE.

Each Province to Recruit 10,000.

One of the most important actions taken by the Government since the diplomatic rupture with Germany is in connection with the recruiting of Chinese labour for Europe. It is reported that the Government has sent a circular to all the provinces ordering them to recruit labourers with the view of sending them abroad. Among other things, the telegram states that each province is to recruit 10,000 labourers for the purpose. (Daily News)

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Mixed Doubles Handicap:—Mr. Asst. Paymaster N. Wright and Mrs. Sandeman (rec. 4/8) 6-2, 6-2; Miss Robinson and A. B. Raworth (owe 2/8) beat Miss Wilkinson and M. M. Mas (owe 4/6) 6-1, 9-7.

Handicap Singles B.—A. Morse (rec. 4/8) beat W. P. C. Telford (rec. 2/8) 6-2, 6-1.

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Shanghai Shipping.

The total number and tonnage of vessels which entered and cleared at Shanghai during the quarter ending in December 1916 was 5,158 vessels of 4,308,322 tons, which was a decrease of 26 vessels and 1,410 tons compared with the same quarter of 1915. Of the total 693 vessels of 932,605 tons were river steamers which was an increase of 25 steamers, but a decrease of 76,873 tons and 1,817 vessels of 3,194,125 tons were ocean steamers, showing an increase of 52 vessels and 76,893 tons. The percentages of the different flags in the total were 40.2 British, 30.9 Japanese, 21.0 Chinese, 2.4 French, 2.2 American and 3.3 Danish, Dutch, Italian, Norwegian, Russian and Swedish. Of the river steamers 47.3 British, 25.8 Japanese, 24.3 Chinese, 2.7 the other flags, and of ocean steamers, 39.7 British, 31.8 Japanese, 16.8 Chinese and 9.7 the remaining flags.

The Case of Captain Riepenhausen.

Says the "Journal of Commerce" of February 17.—The discussion which took place in the House of Commons on Thursday, relative to the Admiralty's treatment of Captain Riepenhausen, of the Holt Line, it was sufficient to indicate a strong feeling of dissatisfaction. It will not be surprising to learn that among shipowners and seafarers generally the same feeling will be entertained. The circumstances in connection with the matter were made public in our columns a little while ago through a letter written to us by Messrs. Alfred Holt and Co., and we pointed out at the time that this eminent firm of shipowners was not likely to have protested so strongly as they did against the action of the Admiralty unless they had the very best reasons to justify them. Captain Riepenhausen, as a master mariner of the Holt Line of many years' standing, was refused the official instructions which are imparted to masters of British merchant ships, who must be British subjects, and sons of parents who, at the time of the son's birth, were themselves British subjects by birth, or naturalisation. It has been established that the father of Captain Riepenhausen was born in Hanover a few weeks after the country gave up its control, so that as a boy he came to England, resided there all his life, and married a Scotch lady. His father, subsequently became naturalised, and proved himself a model citizen. His son, who now the subject of this interesting case, was trained in the British merchant service and became a most capable and highly esteemed captain in the Holt Line. In answering a question addressed to the First Lord of the Admiralty on the subject by Mr. R. D. Holt, Dr. Macnamara, having explained that the First Lord of the Admiralty was absent, said that while the integrity and trustworthiness of Captain Riepenhausen were in no way doubted, the fact that his father did not become naturalised until seven years after the birth of the son brought the latter within a rigorous rule of exclusion. The absence of any other evidence, the feeling appears to be extremely strong against the inflexible application of which not only inflicts upon Capt. Riepenhausen the loss of a capable shipmaster, but also deprives the country of the services of a man of such long and distinguished experience. The latter stage of the discussion, however, is at present cut off by the fact that the matter is now in the hands of the Admiralty, and that the matter is not allowed to be discussed in the House of Commons.

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Hongkong, 30th March, 1916.

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No. 3 Dock, Kowloon	540	15'	12'	7' 6"	
Patent Slip, No. 4 Kowloon	570	15'	12'	7' 6"	
Patent Slip, No. 5 Kowloon	520	15'	12'	7' 6"	
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Japan and the Killed Wounded.
The amount of subscription
for the relief of the sick, wounded
and other sufferers from the war
in the killed countries, namely
Japan, on the initiative of Prince
Shikamaro Prince Tokugawa, for
other prominent officials, has
exceeded \$100,000. It has been
the largest sum of money ever
collected for such a purpose.

HONGKONG SHARE REPORT.

BANKS

analysis of the exports of copra for the month of January, under the title "Analysis and Conditions," written by Arnold M. Pitt, president of the Manila Merchants' Association, appears in the *Merchants' Review* for March. It says: "An analysis of the monthly values of our export of copra have been maintained for the past few years. The average for the year shipped during 1934 was P447 per ton as compared with P341 per ton for the year, 1930. Coconut oil has increased from P500 per ton; sugar from P117 per ton; tobacco from P68 to P677 per ton, and copra remained at P34 per ton and copra dropped from P194 per ton. The increase in the per ton value of the copra is accounted for by the increased proportion of centrifugal entering into exports. It has been a new market for copra in the United States for the first time. The demand for copra from the Philippines is partly responsible for the increased prices. The improvement in the quality of copra is largely responsible for the average prices realized. The copra processors and exporters began to ship in January and February up to the present but during the current season slackening is noticeable. It is becoming apparent that the number among the copra merchants have over-looked the results of the desire to fully utilize their stores with goods in anticipation of further advances in price. Reports are received from the growing sections to the effect that prices demanded by the mills for paddy make it profitable for the mills to operate in competition with the copra and Saigon article. This is responsible in a measure for the continued large quantities of rice. It is a situation, however, that is necessarily right itself. The sugar-growing sec-

On account of the European war, which has brought about a shifting of markets and the scarcity of bottoms, an unbounded opportunity has been opened to Philippine lumber, for invading markets heretofore supplied by other countries, is the settlement made by the Philippine Director of Forestry, Mr. Fisher, in his report for the fiscal year of 1916, from the experience gained during that year. On account of the special conditions prevailing between the United States and the Philippines, he would urge favorable propaganda work on Philippine lumbers, in the markets of the homeland, but for direct and immediate results, he would prefer to invade the China and nearby markets, taking into account their proximity to the islands, and the ease with which facilities for their introduction in these markets may be made available. The prospects of a profitable market even locally for Philippine lumber is also alluring, and if proper steps are taken to incur a careful maintenance of the high standards now adhered to, there is every indication that the present local market is on its way to a wholesome growth. This tendency has been noted during the past year, especially in the supply of lumber for army use. Although heretofore, the local department has been supplied by the homeland lumber merchants, there has been a marked tendency of shifting this source of supply locally, and the Oregon pine heretofore used exclusively for military construction in the islands has been gradually replaced by native woods, which experience has demonstrated can compete in utility with American lumber. This shifting is demonstrated by the growth of the army contract which has been from year to year let out to local lumbermen, and if present standards hold, there is every indication that the army will buy all its lumber requirements in the islands in the future. Speaking of the alluring opportunity presented by the China markets, Mr. Fisher has the following to say:—"The unusual opportunity afforded for the extension of the Philippine lumber business in the United States, caused by the universal chaotic shipping conditions, is still present, and to an even greater extent, in the Hongkong and China markets. Because of trans-Pacific freight being scarcer and correspondingly higher than between far eastern ports, the large quantity of lumber from British Columbia and the north-western United States which formerly went to China is now being replaced by our woods. Some of the Philippine mills are running almost exclusively for orders from China, and practically all of them have booked some orders from Japan in this country. New markets have been

A dispatch from Tokyo dated March 21, says as follows:—The German Chancellor suddenly went to Vienna on the 18th of March because Austria-Hungary has tried to have a separate peace with Russia. The German Chancellor was able to check this for the present, but the popular view in Austria and Hungary could not be completely suppressed and there is a tendency for Hungary to become independent from Austria, and to conclude a separate peace with Russia.

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PAUL DUBAULT.
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Miss BINDLEY and MR. DUBAULT.
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ERNEST EMPSON.
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(b) J'AI PEUR EN REVE... Hue
(c) MORNING... Speaks
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(b) MY MESSAGE... d'Hardelot
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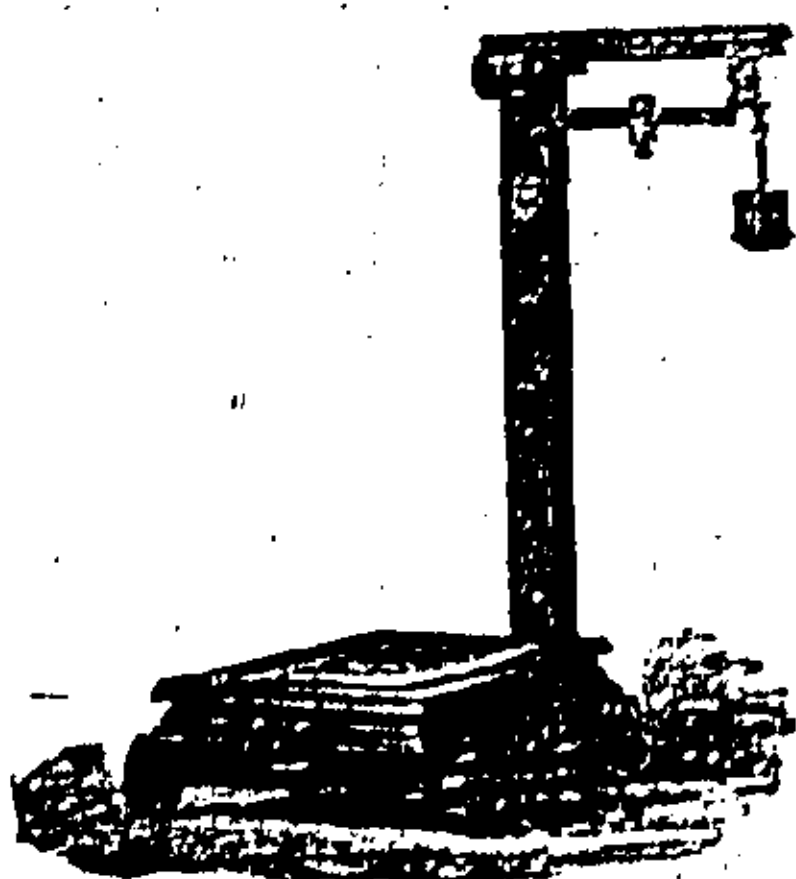
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NOTICE.

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33.—Any person making any addition to any electrical installation connected to the Company's main without obtaining the written consent of the company thereto shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding \$100 for every such addition.

34.—Any consumer upon whose premises any such addition shall be found shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding \$100 for every day or part of a day during which such addition shall have been in existence. In this regulation "Consumer" means the person in whose name the contract for the supply of electricity to such premises was made with the Company, or if there be no such person, the principal tenant or person in actual occupation of the premises in which such addition shall be found.

Having regard to the possibility of a breakdown of the Company's present plant through unauthorised additions to existing installations the Public is earnestly requested to co-operate with the Company by bringing to the Company's notice any contraventions of the above regulations.

Dated this 20th day of March, 1917.
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Hongkong, 15th January, 1917.

BANK HOLIDAYS.

IN ACCORDANCE with Or-
dinance No. 5 of 1912, the
EXCHANGE BANKS will be
CLOSED for the transaction of
Public Business on FRIDAY,
SATURDAY and MONDAY,
the 6th, 7th, and 9th instant.
Hongkong, 2nd April, 1917.

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ware and silver watch cases; Jewell-
ery of any description.

Letters and Parcels containing such
articles cannot therefore be accepted for
transmission by the Post Office.

FRENCH PARCEL REGULATIONS.

The Public are informed that the new
regulations adopted by the French
Customs in regard to parcels
sent from France, Corsica and Algeria
must all in the columns of the regular
Customs Declaration particularly and
exactly, omitting none of the headings
comprised therein.

It is furthermore absolutely necessary
to show in the aforesaid declaration (1)
The full name and address of the addressee
(2) A statement as to whether the contents
are intended for State supplies or not.

Particulars of outgoing and incoming
Mails will not be advertised in future.
The Post Office will forward all corre-
spondence posted by the fastest routes.

Correspondence addressed to enemy
subjects in China, Siam, Siberia and
Portuguese East Africa, Persia and Mor-
occo cannot be transmitted.

The Services to Germany, Austria, Bul-
garia and the Ottoman Empire are
suspended.

LOCAL AND REGULAR MAILS
OUTWARD.

Tai O.—Week days, 5 p.m.

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10 a.m.

Cheung Chow.—Week days, 2 p.m.

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Week days, 4 p.m.

Aberdeen, Antau, Ping Shan, Sai Kung,
Satin and Stanley.—Week days, 4.30 p.m.

Canton, Samshui and Wuchow.—Week
days, 7.30 a.m.; Registration 5 p.m.; Let-
ters 6 p.m.; Sundays, 5 p.m.

Macao.—Week days, 7.15 a.m.; 1.30 p.m.;
Sundays, 9 a.m.

Kowloon.—Week days, 6 p.m. Except
Sundays; 5 p.m.

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Sundays, 9.30 p.m.; Holidays, 7.30 a.m.,
9.30 p.m.

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Sundays, 9.30 p.m.; Holidays, 9.30 p.m.

Shek Ki.—Week days, 9.30 p.m.; Sun-
days, 9.30 p.m.; Holidays, 9.30 p.m.

Kowloon.—Week days, 6 p.m.; Sun-
days, 6 p.m.; Holidays, 6 p.m.

Kumchuk.—Week days, 6 p.m.; Sun-
days, 6 p.m.; Holidays, 6 p.m.

Kaukung.—Week days, 6 p.m. Except
Sundays; 6 p.m.; Holidays, 6 p.m.

SHIPPING NEWS.

ARRIVED.

Kwangsoo, Chi., ss. 1,768, Sangster, 3rd
Apr.—Shanghai, 31st Mar. Gen.—
C. M. S. N. Co.

Malaka M. Jap. ss. 1,999, Hutchings,
3rd Apr.—Mika, 29th Mar. Coal—
M. E. K.

Pole, Chi., ss. 214, Wonskan, 3rd Apr.—
Touane, 28th Mar. Gen.—Chinsea.

Shifoo, Chi., ss. 1,655, Haseel, 3rd Apr.—
Chingwaico, 28th Mar. Coal—D.
& Co.

Asia M. Jap. ss. 1,431, Fujio, 4th Apr.—
Sai on, 28th Mar. Rice—Orser.

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WEATHER REPORT.

On the 4th at 12.15.—No returns from
Japanese stations. Pressure has increased
moderately in the extreme North and
has decreased slightly along the south
coast of China. It is nearly stationary
at other reporting stations.
Fog may be expected along the China
coast.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours
ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inch.
Total since January 1st, 3.42 inches,
against an average of 3.56 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS
ENDING AT NOON TO-MORROW

District	Forecast
1 Hongkong to Gap Rock	Variable winds, moderate to light fair; fog later.
2 Formosa Channel	N.E. winds, moderate.
3 South coast of China between H.K. and Lamook	The same as No. 1.
4 South coast of China between H.K. and Hainan	The same as No. 1.

China Coast Meteorological Register.
April 4, a.m.

Station	Hour	Barometer	Temperature	Humidity	Wind	Force	Direction	Remarks
Vostoek	6a	29.99	22		sw	4	b	
Namuro	6a							
Hakodate	6a							
Tokio	6a							
Kochi	6a							
Sagami	6a							
Kagima	6a							
Oshima	6a							
Naha	6a							
Ishijima	6a							
Kanagawa	6a							
Choshi	6a	29.85	36	50	ne	4	b	
Whaiwei	6a							
Hankow	6a							
Yokohama	6a							
Kinkiang	6a							
Changsha	6a	29.93	51	75	sw	1	b	
Chungking	6a	29.94	56	63	sw	4	b	
Chongqing	6a	29.98	60	99	sw	0	rt	
Shanghai	6a	29.95	62	83	sw	2	of	
Amoy	6a	29.94	71	88	sw	1	o	
Swatow	6a	29.94	61	80	e	4	o	
Taihou	6a	29.93	61					
Taiwan	6a	29.93	61					
Kashan	6a	29.93	61					
Peking	6a	29.93	61					
Canton	6a	29.93	65	85	sw	1	o	
H'kong	6a	29.91	64	79	sw	1	o	
Gap Rock	6a	29.91	70	53	sw	1	o	
Macao	6a	30.00	61	89	sw	1	o	
Wuchow	6a							
Shanghai	6a	29.99	75	96	sw	4	o	
Phu Lien	6a	29.94	64		sw	2	o	
Touane	6a	29.81	73		e	4	o	
C. St. J.	6a	29.81	73	91	sw	4	o	
Aparri	6a	29.81	77	89	sw	0	o	
Dagupan	6a	29.81	73	91	sw	0	o	
Manila	6a	29.81	73	96	sw	0	o	
Legaspi	6a	29.81	73	96	sw	0	o	
Tacloban	6a	29.81	73	96	sw	0	o	
Iloilo	6a	29.81	73	96	sw	0	o	
Surigao	6a	29.78	78	94	sw	2	b	
Lobuan	6a							

T. F. CLAXTON, Director.

Hongkong Observatory, Apr. 4, 1917.
1 Barometer, reduced to 32 degrees
Fahrenheit on the level of the sea in in-
ches, tenths and hundredths.
2 Temperature, in the shade, in degrees
Fahrenheit.
3 Humidity, in percentage of saturation
the Humidity of air saturated with mois-
ture being 100.
4 Direction of Wind, to two points.
5 Force of Wind, according to Beaufort
Scale.
State of Weather, b blue sky, c de-
tached clouds, d drifting rain, f fog, g
stormy, h hail, i lightning, o overcast, p
passing showers, q equally, r rain, s snow,
t thunder, v visibility, w dew wet.

METEOROLOGICAL

Previous Day	On date	On date
Day	On date	On date
Barometer	29.90	29.91
Temperature	74	64
Humidity	63	79
Wind Direction	W	ESE
Force	2	1
Weather	b	c
Rain	0.0	0.00
Highest open air Temperature	on the	3rd 75
Lowest	"	" 4th 61

H.K. Observatory, April 4, 1917.
T. F. CLAXTON, Director.

TIDE TABLE.

From 2nd Apr. to 8th Apr.

Day	High Water	Low Water	High Water	Low Water
Date	Time	Time	Date	Time
Mon.	7.15	1.45	Mon.	7.15
Tue.	7.25	1.55	Tue.	7.25
Wed.	7.35	2.05	Wed.	7.35
Thur.	7.45	2.15	Thur.	7.45
Fri.	7.55	2.25	Fri.	7.55
Sat.	8.05	2.35	Sat.	8.05
Sun.	8.15	2.45	Sun.	8.15

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Hongkong, 31st March, 1917.

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